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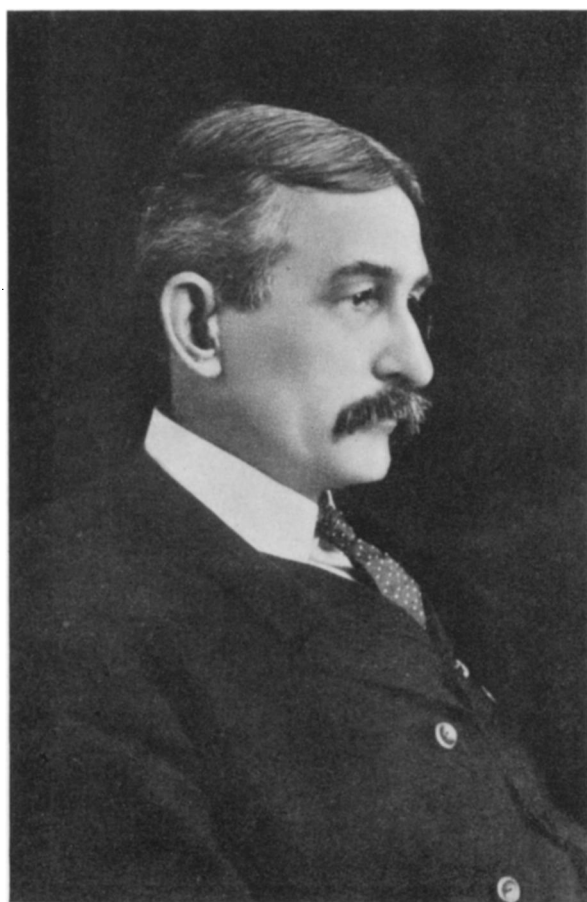
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TO · HENRY · SHALER · WILLIAMS
STUDENT · TEACHER · ORGANIZER
FRIEND · THE · SOCIETY · OF · THE
SIGMA · XI · WHICH · HE · FOUND-
ED · AND · NURTURED · IN · ITS
EARLY · YEARS · DEDICATES · THIS
NUMBER · IN · AFFECTION · AND
ESTEEM · WITH · THE · RESOLVE
EVER · TO · FOLLOW · HIS · IDEALS
OF · SCHOLARSHIP · INTEGRITY
AND · SERVICE

Henry Shaler Williams

The Trustees of Cornell University learn with great sorrow of the death of Professor Henry Shaler Williams, Emeritus Professor of Geology in this University. ¶ It is now nearly forty years since Professor Williams became a member of the teaching staff of this institution. ¶ During the long period of his active service as a teacher, from which he retired in 1912, he endeared himself to his students by his unselfish devotion to them; and during the longer period of his association with his colleagues in the Faculty and with members of the Board of Trustees he won their affection and respect by his sterling qualities as a man and his attainments as a scholar. ¶ As a teacher he was very conscientious; he was especially strong as a teacher in his laboratory, where his close personal attention and his constructive criticism gave his students a training of incalculable value. As an investigator he attained a very high rank. His studies of Devonian paleontology; of geological history of organisms; and of the evolution and geographical and geological modification of fossil faunas stand out as important contributions to the literature of these subjects. He was honored by election to the more important American and foreign geological societies. ¶ Although his devotion to his students and his attainments as an investigator gave him eminence, yet to those of us associated with him he will be remembered especially because of his personality. His sweetness and gentleness of character and his thoughtfulness of others won him the love of all who were so happy as to know him. We mourn the loss to the world of a teacher and scholar and our loss of a friend.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
CORNELL UNIVERSITY ON THE THIRD DAY OF
AUGUST 1918.

CORNELL MEMORIAL SERVICES

On Sunday, October 20, 1918, a memorial service in honor of the late Professor Henry Shaler Williams was held in Sage Chapel at Cornell University. It was attended by several members of the family and by a large number of Professor Williams' friends from the faculty and the town. Professor Quarles of the department of music was organist and the services of a well known harpist from New York City added much to the richness of the musical program which was especially selected so as to include compositions of which Professor Williams was known to have been fond.

In addition to friends from Ithaca and vicinity Professor Herbert E. Gregory of Yale and Professor Herman L. Fairchild of the University of Rochester were present. Letters were read from Professor James Frazer Kemp, a former pupil and for many years a close associate of Professor Williams and from Secretary C. D. Walcott of the Smithsonian Institution both of whom were unable to attend.

In the unavoidable absence of President Schurman, Professor Heinrich Ries, head of the department of Geology, presided.

The committee of arrangements consisted of Professors Comstock, Ries and Burr of the University Faculty.

The program of exercises is printed in full on the following page and the addresses which were given as well as the letters read at the exercises follow thereafter. To these have been added a few items that though not part of the program of that special occasion are so closely connected by their character that it has been deemed appropriate to include them in the series of tributes to Professor Williams.

In Memory
of
Henry Shaler Williams

Exercises at the Sage Chapel, Cornell University

Sunday, October 20, 1919

PROFESSOR HEINRICH RIES, presiding

MUSIC: *Largo* (Harp and Organ) Handel

Professor Williams at Yale: the Student and the Man

PROFESSOR HERBERT E. GREGORY, Yale University

MUSIC: *Priere* (Harp) Hasselman

Professor Williams at Cornell

Letter from PROFESSOR JAMES F. KEMP, Columbia University

Professor Williams Among Geologists

PROFESSOR HERMAN L. FAIRCHILD, University of Rochester

Professor Williams the Investigator

Letter from SECRETARY CHARLES D. WALCOTT, Smithsonian Institution

MUSIC (Organ and Harp) : a) *The Swan* Saint-Saëns
b) *Aria* Bach-Gounod

Professor Williams and Sigma Xi

PROFESSOR EDWARD L. NICHOLS, Cornell University

Prayer and Benediction THE REV. HARRY EMERSON FOSDICK

MUSIC: *Largo*—from the *New World Symphony* Dvorák